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ASSESSING OUTCOMES OF YOUTH TRANSITIONING FROM FOSTER CARE

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Assessing Outcomes of Youth Transitioning From Foster Care

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Purpose of Report

Understanding how former foster youth are functioning as young adults is key to determining whether the efforts to improve outcomes for older foster youth are successful and to identify services and supports that can be improved for youth currently in foster care.

The Department of Human Services reviewed the outcomes of 926 youth (543 females, 383 males) who aged out of foster care between 1999 and 2004.

Number of Youth, by Year Left Care			
Year Left Care	Females	Males	Total
1999	57	52	109
2000	103	79	182
2001	92	58	150
2002	106	58	164
2003	79	66	145
2004	106	72	178

The study was designed to answer the following questions:

- What happens to former foster youth within three years of leaving foster care?
- How are youth doing that aged out of foster care in 2003 and 2004, after the implementation of the Transition to Adult Living Initiative in 2003, compared to youth who aged out between 1999 and 2002?

Data Collection

The data was obtained from information systems of the Department of Human Services, Department of Workforce Services, Department of Health, Board of Regents (higher education) and Department of Public Safety. The information was integrated into a single database and analyzed across multiple dimensions.

The data was limited to youth who resided in Utah. We were unable to obtain information on youth who moved to another state.

We looked at the following indicators:

- Employment
- Education, Training and Career Development
- Criminal Activity
- Child Bearing
- Supportive Services
- Driver's License

Accurate data on the number of youth that received a high school diploma or GED was not available at the time of the study. The TAL Initiative implemented several creative strategies to provide stable and affordable housing for youth. However, methods to collect data on housing and homelessness were not available.

Employment

- Eighty-six percent of youth that left care between 1999 and 2003¹ reported earnings within 3 years of leaving care. However, on average, foster youth were not working full time at a minimum wage job².
- Foster youth that left care in 2003 and 2004 were living at **69 percent** and **54 percent**, respectively, of the federal poverty level.³ These rates were substantially lower than for youth that left care in 1999 that were living at 90% of poverty.
- In spite of a robust economy and strong job growth, income for youth that left care in 2004 (\$5,145) was lower than youth that left in 2003 (\$5,754).

Average Annual Wages Reported by the Department of Workforce Services			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	NA	\$5,424	\$8,108
2000	\$3,685	\$5,141	\$5,722
2001	\$3,470	\$4,619	\$6,427
2002	\$3,363	\$4,826	\$6,427
2003	\$3,798	\$5,754	\$6,627
2004	\$2,076	\$5,145	NA

*Year left care

¹ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

² Annual income for a minimum wage job (\$5.15 per hour) was \$10,753.

³ Annual income for 2005 for a single individual living at the poverty level, reported by the 2005 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Poverty Guidelines, was \$9,570.

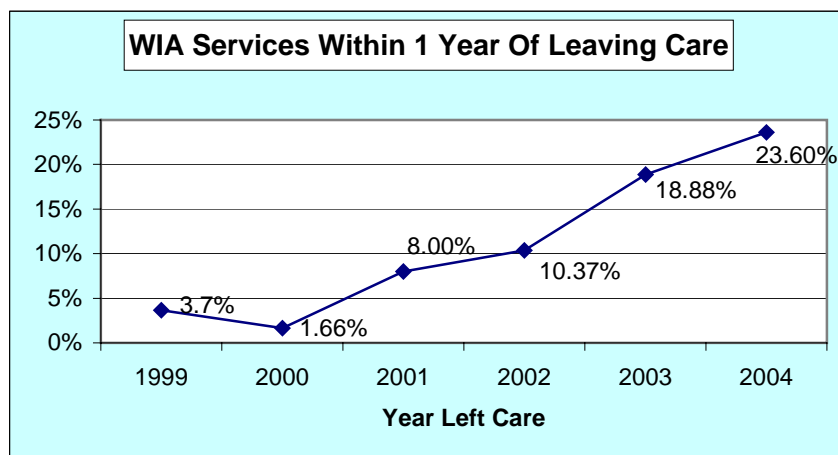
Education, Training, and Career Development

- Since 2003, the Department of Human Services (DHS) and the Department of Workforce Services (DWS) have worked together to increase the number of older foster youth that receive education, job training, and career development from the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) programs and its contract providers. This effort has been very successful.

WIA Services After Leaving Care			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	3.7%	0.00%	0.00%
2000	1.7%	3.3%	2.8%
2001	8.00%	4.0%	3.7%
2002	10.4%	9.2%	7.9%
2003	18.9%	8.4%	6.3%
2004	23.6%	20.8%	NA

*Year left care

- Overall, 17.78 percent of youth that left foster care between 1999 and 2003⁴ received WIA services within 3 years of leaving care.
- Participation in WIA services has dramatically increased. Of the youth that left care between 1999 and 2002, only **5.9 percent** received WIA services within one year of leaving care, while **21.5 percent** of the youth that left in 2003 and 2004 received services.



- Beginning in 2003, foster youth were eligible to receive new funding to attend post secondary education and training. The Education and Training Voucher (ETV) program provided up to \$5,000 per year for tuition, books, room and board, counseling, and support services.

⁴ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

- Participation in the ETV program increased from 6 youth in 2004 to 35 youth that received financial assistance and services in 2005, an increase of **416 percent**. Fifty percent of the youth that received financial assistance in 2004 remained in school and received assistance in 2005.

Postsecondary Education and Training

- Over one in four (27.11%) of the youth that left care between 1999 and 2003⁵ attended post secondary education and training programs within 3 years of leaving care. This included attendance at Utah public universities, community colleges, and applied technology colleges.

Post Secondary Education and Training			
Year Left Care	Voc/Tech Training	Community College	University
1999	13.8%	7.3%	3.7%
2000	23.1%	10.4%	4.4%
2001	21.3%	10.0%	7.3%
2002	17.1%	12.2%	4.3%
2003	9.8%	16.1%	3.5%
2004	6.2%	7.3%	3.4%

- Of those that participated in post secondary education, 52.19 percent attended applied technology colleges, 33.87 percent attended community colleges, and 13.94 percent attended universities.
- Many youth attended post secondary education and training, but few obtained a degree or certificate. Within 3 years of leaving care, only 7.6% that attended an applied technology college received a certificate of completion, and none of the youth that attended a community college obtained an associate's degree. Of the youth that left care since 1999, only one received a bachelor's degree from a Utah college or university.
- Thirty-five percent of youth that left foster care between 1999 and 2002 attended post secondary education within 3 years of leaving care compared to 29.4 percent for youth that left in 2003, a **16 percent decline**. Attendance was also down for youth that left care in 2004 compared to youth that left care in 2003 (16.9% vs. 29.4%).
- Attendance at applied technology colleges and universities declined for 2003 alumni (9.8 % and 3.5 %, respectively) compared to youth that left care between 1999 and 2002 (19.3% and 4.9%, respectively). However, attendance at community colleges increased, 10.2 percent for youth that left care between 1999 and 2002, up to 16.1 percent for youth that left in 2003.

⁵ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

Criminal Activity

- Disturbingly, **37.2 percent** of the youth that left care between 1999 and 2003⁶ were arrested for a felony or a misdemeanor within 3 years of leaving foster care.
- Arrest rates for a felony or a misdemeanor remained relatively unchanged. Of the youth that left care between 1999 and 2002, 37.3 percent were arrested within 3 years of leaving care compared to 37.1 percent for youth that left care in 2003.

Felonies

- Overall, 15.5 percent of former foster youth that left care between 1999 and 2003⁷ had a felony arrest within 3 years of leaving foster care.

Felony Arrests After Leaving Care			
Year Left Care	First Year *	Second Year	Third Year
1999	5.5%	8.5%	5.5%
2000	3.8%	6.0%	4.4%
2001	7.3%	5.3%	5.3%
2002	4.9%	3.0%	4.3%
2003	5.6%	3.5%	6.3%
2004	8.4%	4.5%	NA

*Year left care

- Felony arrests within 3 years of leaving foster care have remained relatively unchanged. The percentage of foster youth with felony arrests that left care between 1999 and 2002 was 15.5 percent compared to 15.3% for youth that left in 2003. However, felony arrests increased by **41.7 percent** for youth that left care in 2004 compared to youth that left care in 2003.

Misdemeanor Arrests

- One in three foster youth (33.3%) that left care between 1999 and 2003⁸ was arrested for a misdemeanor within 3 years of leaving foster care.
- Misdemeanor arrests tended to occur within 2 years of leaving care with substantially fewer arrests in the third year.

⁶ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

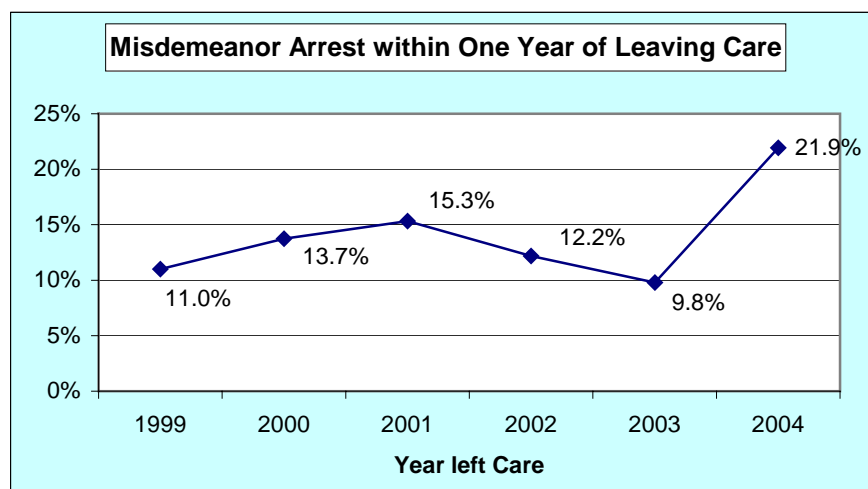
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Misdemeanor Arrests After Leaving Care			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	12.8%	15.6%	7.3%
2000	14.5%	10.4%	5.5%
2001	16.7%	8.0%	6.7%
2002	13.4%	17.1%	6.7%
2003	11.9%	12.6%	7.7%
2004	21.9%	10.1%	NA

*Year left care

- Misdemeanor arrests decreased within 2 years of leaving care for youth that left in 2003 (24.5%) compared to youth that left between 1999 and 2002 (26.9%). However, arrests increased for youth that left care in 2004 (32 %) compared to youth that left care in 2003 (24.5%), a **30.6 percent increase**.



Child Bearing

- Thirty-one percent of former female foster youth that left care between 1999 and 2003⁹ had a child within 3 years of leaving foster care.

⁹ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

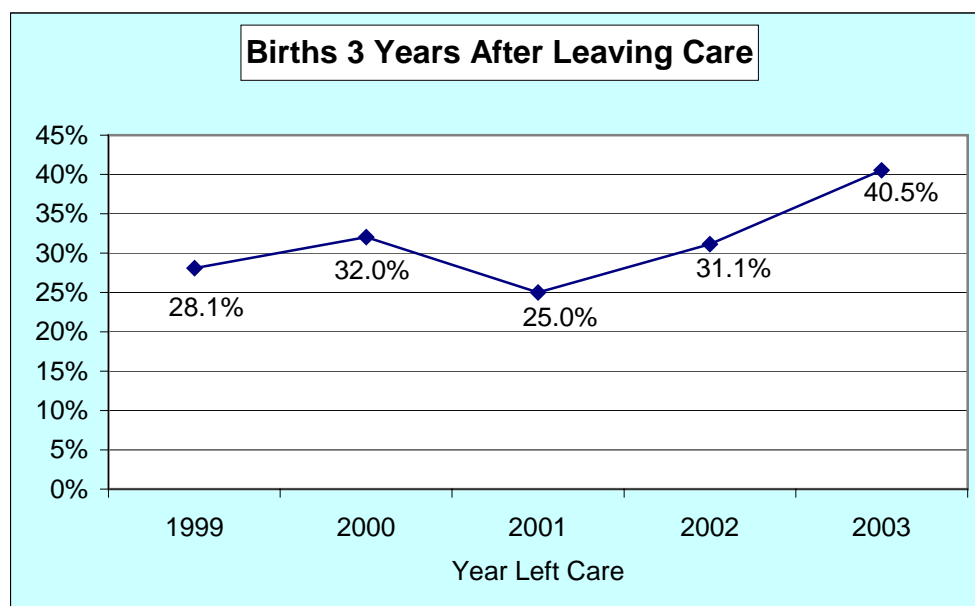
Births After Leaving Foster Care			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	8.8%	8.8%	10.5%
2000	5.8%	13.6%	12.6%
2001	4.3%	10.9%	9.8%
2002	2.8%	15.1%	13.2%
2003	11.4%	19.0%	10.1%
2004	3.8%	13.2%	NA

*Year left care

- The fertility rate (number of births per 1,000 females) of former female foster youth within 3 years of leaving care was **2.74 times** higher than the rate of their peers in the Utah general population.

Fertility Rate 1999 to 2004			
Female population	Number of Births	Population of Females	Birth Rate Per 1,000
Population 18-24	108,949	951,309	114.52
Former foster Youth	137	437	313.50

- The percentage of young woman giving birth within 3 years of leaving foster care increased from 29.3% for females that left care between 1999 and 2002 to 40% for those that left care in 2003, a **36.5% increase**.
- Encouragingly, only **17 percent** of the females that left care in 2004 had a child.



Supportive Services

Food Stamps

- Over 50 percent (50.5%) of youth that left care between 1999 and 2003¹⁰ received food stamps within 3 years of leaving care. This rate was over **11 times** higher than for youth age 18 and 19 in the Utah general population (4.42%).
- The percentage of youth receiving food stamps increased from 48.9 percent for youth that left care between 1999 and 2002 to 58 percent for youth that left care from 2003 to 2004, a **18.6 percent increase**.
- For youth that left care after 2002, participation in the food stamps program tended to occur in the first two years after leaving care and declined after the third year.

Food Stamps			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	15.6%	12.8%	15.6%
2000	14.3%	19.8%	13.7%
2001	16.7%	20.7%	16.0%
2002	23.8%	17.1%	8.5%
2003	35.0%	16.8%	6.3%
2004	28.6%	20.8%	NA

*Year left care

General Assistance (GA)

- General Assistance provided temporary financial assistance to single adults or married couples without dependent children who had a medical and/or mental health condition that prevented them from working.
- Within 3 years of leaving care, 14 percent of youth that left care between 1999 and 2003¹¹ received GA benefits.

General Assistance			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	.9%	5.5%	5.5%
2000	1.1%	4.4%	4.4%
2001	2.7%	6.0%	8.0%
2002	4.9%	7.3%	4.3%
2003	7.7%	4.9%	2.8%
2004	2.2%	6.2%	NA

*Year left care

¹⁰ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

¹¹ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

- Over one in ten youth (13.7%) that left foster care between 1999 and 2002 received GA benefits within 3 years of leaving care compared to 15.4 percent for youth that left care in 2003, a 12.4 percent increase.

Temporary Assistance For Needy Families (TANF)

- TANF provided monthly cash assistance for low-income families with children under age 18.
- Within 3 years of leaving care, 14.7 percent of former foster youth that left care between 1999 and 2003¹² received TANF benefits.

Temporary Assistance For Families			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	3.7%	0.9%	2.7%
2000	6.6%	6.0%	9.3%
2001	3.3%	8.7%	2.7%
2002	1.2%	9.1%	4.3%
2003	2.8%	9.1%	5.6%
2004	5.6%	3.4%	NA

*Year left care

- Participation in TANF increased by 12.9 percent for youth that left care in 2003 (17.5%) compared to youth that left care between 1999 and 2002 (15.5%).

Child Care

- Subsidized childcare was available to low-income families to enable them to work or further their education.
- Subsidized childcare was received by 10 percent of the youth that left care between 1999 and 2003¹³.

Subsidized Child Care			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	1.0%	1.8%	2.7%
2000	1.1%	6.0%	6.6%
2001	2.0%	4.7%	1.3%
2002	.6%	3.7%	6.1%
2003	2.1%	3.5%	4.9%
2004	2.2%	5.6%	NA

*Year left care

¹² Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

¹³ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

- Participation in subsidized child care within three years of leaving care increased from 9.9 percent for youth that left care between 1999 and 2002 to 10.5 percent for youth that left in 2003.

Wages, Child Care, and TANF

- Nearly 95 percent (94.8%) of females with children that left care between 1999 and 2003¹⁴ reported wages within 3 years of leaving foster care. Of those with wages, 55.4 percent received TANF and 39 percent received subsidized childcare.

Mothers with Wages that Received TANF and Child Care Within 3 Years of Leaving Care			
Year Left Care	Mothers with Wages	TANF	Child Care
1999	93.7%	40.0%	33.0%
2000	97.0%	65.6%	46.9%
2001	95.6%	54.5%	31.8%
2002	93.9%	58.1%	41.9%
2003	93.3%	50.0%	35.7%

- Within 3 years of leaving care, all females with children that did not have income received TANF and Medicaid benefits.
- Average income of females with children increased each year after leaving foster care. However, their income remained significantly below the federal poverty level. In 2005, females with children that left care in 2004 lived in "severe poverty"¹⁵ (29.9%) and those that left care in 1999 lived at 79 percent of poverty.¹⁶

Average Income of Females with Children						
Year Left Care	2000 Wages	2001 Wages	2002 Wages	2003 Wages	2004 Wages	2005 Wages
1999	\$3,566	\$6,870	\$5,383	\$5,693	\$9,473	\$10,162
2000	\$3,485	\$4,595	\$4,489	\$5,405	\$7,530	\$8,014
2001	NA	\$3,324	\$4,567	\$6,197	\$6,872	\$7,392
2002	NA	NA	\$2,468	\$5,231	\$6,309	\$8,888
2003	NA	NA	NA	\$3,104	\$3,929	\$4,980
2004	NA	NA	NA	NA	\$2,725	\$3,841

Medicaid

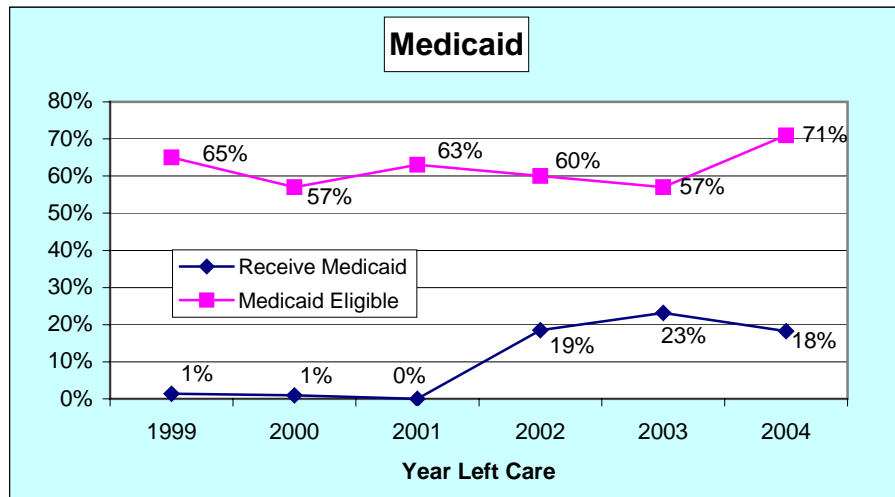
- Many youth (63%) that left care between 1999 and 2004 were eligible for Medicaid until age 19; however, only **9.3 percent** participated in the program.
- The participation rates have dramatically increased due to the efforts of the Department of Human Services and Department of Health to enroll eligible youth (17.1 % for youth

¹⁴ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

¹⁵ "Severe poverty" - defined by the U.S. Census Bureau as income less than 50 percent of the poverty level.

¹⁶ 2005 Federal Poverty Guideline for a family of two was \$12,830.

that left care in 2003 and 2004, up from 5.3% for youth that left care between 1999 and 2002). However, significant progress needs to be made to reduce the gap between the number eligible and the number that receive benefits.



Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) Post Foster Care Services

- Within 3 years of leaving care, 35.2 percent of former foster youth that left care between 1999 and 2003¹⁷ received services from DCFS.
- Participation in DCFS services increased from 33.2 percent for youth that left from 1999 to 2002 to 43.3 percent for youth that left care in 2003, a **30.4 percent increase**.

DCFS Post Foster Care Services			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	1.83%	1.83%	2.75%
2000	4.95%	6.59%	8.79%
2001	8.00%	7.33%	3.33%
2002	23.78%	23.17%	9.15%
2003	22.38%	11.19%	9.79%
2004	29.78%	17.98%	NA

*Year left care

Counseling

- One in five youth (19 %) that left foster care since 1999¹⁸ received counseling from DCFS within 3 years of leaving care.

¹⁷ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

¹⁸ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

- Only 12.9 percent of foster youth that left care between 1999 and 2002 received counseling services compared to 25.9 percent that left care in 2003, a **100 percent increase**.

Counseling			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	0.0%	.9%	0.0%
2000	2.2%	3.8%	1.6%
2001	6.0%	4.0%	0.7%
2002	17.1%	11.0%	2.4%
2003	16.8%	4.2%	3.5%
2004	20.8%	8.4%	NA

*Year left care

- Generally, youth returned to DCFS for counseling services within 2 years of leaving care and then participation tended to drop substantially in the third year.

Domestic Violence

- The Division of Child and Family Services provided domestic violence services, within 3 years of leaving care, to 2.2 percent of foster youth that left care between 1999 and 2003¹⁹.
- Of the youth that left care between 1999 and 2002, 4.6 percent received domestic violence services within 3 years of leaving care, while only 1.4 percent that left foster care in 2003 received services.

Domestic Violence Services			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	1.0%	0.0%	1.0%
2000	0.0%	0.5%	3.3%
2001	0.7%	2.7%	1.3%
2002	1.2%	1.2%	2.4%
2003	1.4%	0.0%	0.00%
2004	1.7%	1.1%	NA

*Year left care

Transition Living Payment

- Since 2001, Transition Living Payments provided temporary assistance to help youth live successfully on their own.
- Of the youth that left care between 2000 and 2003²⁰, 19.4 percent received Transition Living Payments within 3 years of leaving care.

¹⁹ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

Transition Living Payments			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	NA	NA	NA
2000	NA	2.2%	2.6%
2001	5.3%	5.3%	0.0%
2002	21.9	10.4%	1.8%
2003	18.9%	8.4%	2.8%
2004	22.6%	9.0%	NA

*Year left care

- The percentage of youth receiving Transition Living Payments increased **2.2 times** for youth that left care in 2003 (29.5%) compared to youth that left from between 2000 and 2002 (13.4%).

Substance Abuse Services

- Within 3 years of leaving care, 19.5 percent of former foster youth that left care between 1999 and 2003²¹ received substance abuse treatment services.

Substance Abuse Services			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	5.5%	1.8%	1.8%
2000	8.2%	4.9%	5.5%
2001	11.3%	16.0%	13.3%
2002	8.5%	4.9%	3.7%
2003	2.8%	3.5%	2.8%
2004	9.6%	1.7%	NA

*Year left care

- The percentage of foster youth that received substance abuse services declined by **58.9 percent** for youth that left care in 2003 (9.1%) compared to youth that left between 1999 and 2002 (21.9%). Encouragingly, more youth that left care in 2004 received substance abuse services than youth that left in 2003 (11.2% vs. 9.1%).

Mental Health Services

- Of the youth that left care since 2002²², about 3 out of 5 (57.1 %) were diagnosis with a major mental illness (38.6% major depression, 14% bipolar disorder, 4.5% schizophrenia). The rate of depression among these youth is nearly **2.5 times** the rate of their peers in the general population.²³

²⁰ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

²¹ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

²² Data on mental health problems of foster youth was only available for youth that left care after 2002.

²³ Utah Department of Health, *Utah Health Status Update*, Measuring Depression Among Utah Adults, April 2006.

- Data on mental health services provided to former foster youth was only available for youth that left foster care in 2004. The first year after leaving care 41.8 percent of these youth received mental health services. However, only 21.5 percent received services the following year.

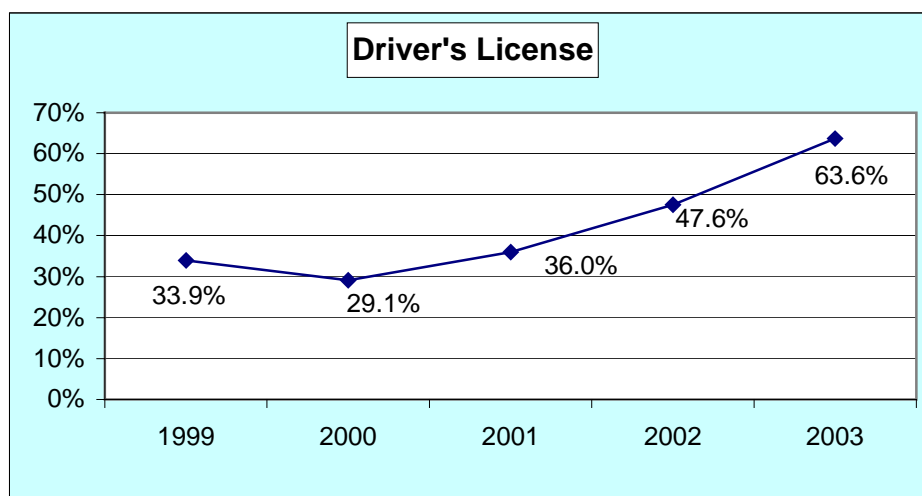
Driver's License

- Over 2 in 5 (43.9%) former foster youth that left care between 1999 and 2003²⁴ obtained a driver's license within 3 years of leaving care.

Driver's License			
Year Left Care	First Year*	Second Year	Third Year
1999	22.0%	27.5%	33.9%
2000	15.9%	21.4%	29.1%
2001	18.7%	25.3%	36.0%
2002	26.8%	36.6%	47.6%
2003	29.47%	47.5%	63.6%
2004	40.4%	52.8%	NA

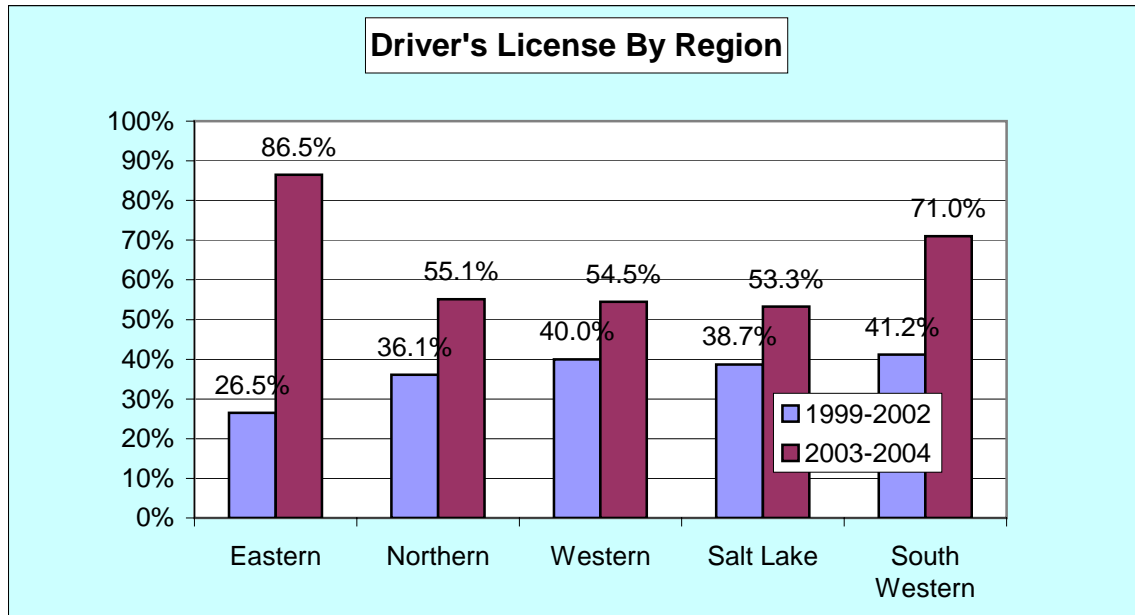
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- The percentage of youth receiving a license increased by **73.3 percent**. For youth that left care in 2003, 63.6 percent received a driver's license within three years of leaving care compared to 36.7 percent that left care between 1999 and 2002.
- More youth that left care in 2004 obtained a driver's license within 2 years of leaving care compared to youth that left care in 2003 (52.8% vs. 47.5%).



²⁴ Data was not reported for youth that left care in 2004, because they were not out of care for 3 years.

- The rate of obtaining a driver's license increased substantially for youth that resided in rural areas. The greatest increase occurred in the DCFS Eastern Region. The percentage of youth with a driver's license increased from 26.5 percent for youth that left between 1999 and 2002 to 86.5 percent for youth that left in 2003 and 2004.



Summary Comparison of Outcomes

1999-2003 vs. 2003-2004



Job Training and Education

Participation in Workforce Investment Act (WIA) education and job training programs increased substantially.



Driver's License

Obtaining a driver's license increased by 73.3 percent.



Medicaid

Participation in public funded health insurance increased by 223 percent.



Follow-up Services

Participation in follow-up services provided by the Department of Human Services increased substantially.



Food Assistance

Receipt of food stamps increased by 95 percent and was 9 times higher than the general population.



Criminal Activity

Misdemeanor and felony arrests increased by 41.7 percent and 30.6 percent, respectively.



Child bearing

Fertility rate within 3 years of leaving foster care increased by 36.5 percent.



Wages

Wages remained low and youth lived in poverty.



Post Secondary Education and Training

Completion of post-secondary education and training continued to remain extremely low.



Positive Outcome



Negative Outcome



Neutral Outcome

Conclusions

- Obtaining basic services, such as medical care, driver's license, food stamps, follow up services, and referrals to post secondary education and job training substantially increased since the TAL Initiative was implemented.
- However, attendance and completion of postsecondary education and training have not improved and youth continued to have incomes below the poverty level.
- An outcome showing promise of improvement is the decreasing birth rate of former foster females that left care in 2004.

Recommendations

- Assist youth to develop and maintain a supportive relationship with an adult during the first 2 years after leaving care.
- Identify and target youth at risk of criminal behavior and provide appropriate services in coordination with the Division of Juvenile Justice.
- Develop effective strategies to address the high birth rate of former female foster youth.
- Require enrollment in Medicaid prior to leaving care for all eligible youth. Monitor enrollment and utilization of Medicaid services on a quarterly basis to identify barriers and to develop appropriate strategies.
- Encourage, prepare, and support youth to attend and complete post secondary education and training.
- Assist former foster youth to obtain and maintain employment that provides a living wage.
- Collect data on high school graduation rates and track availability and stability of housing for youth after leaving foster care.

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Appendix A

Data by DCFS Regions

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SALT LAKE REGION

Births Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	1	0.92%	8.77%	2	1.83%	8.77%	1	0.92%	10.53%
2000	4	2.20%	5.83%	9	4.95%	13.59%	7	3.85%	12.62%
2001	3	2.00%	4.35%	5	3.33%	10.83%	4	2.67%	9.78%
2002	1	0.61%	2.83%	9	5.49%	15.09%	8	4.88%	13.21%
2003	6	4.20%	11.39%	7	4.90%	18.99%	2	1.40%	10.13%
2004	4	2.25%	3.77%	5	2.81%	13.21%		NA	NA
Total	19			37			22		NA

Misdemeanor Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	7	6.42%	12.84%	3	2.75%	15.60%	0	0.00%	7.34%
2000	14	7.69%	14.29%	2	1.10%	10.44%	0	0.00%	5.49%
2001	10	6.67%	16.67%	0	0.00%	8.00%	0	0.00%	6.67%
2002	9	5.49%	13.41%	1	0.61%	17.07%	0	0.00%	6.71%
2003	10	6.99%	11.89%	2	1.40%	12.59%	1	0.70%	7.69%
2004	17	9.55%	21.91%	4	2.25%	10.11%	NA	NA	NA
Total	67			12			1		

Felonies Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	5	4.59%	9.17%	2	1.83%	10.09%	0	0.00%	4.59%
2000	3	1.65%	9.34%	8	4.40%	7.69%	5	2.75%	1.65%
2001	7	4.67%	10.00%	7	4.67%	6.00%	5	3.33%	2.67%
2002	3	1.83%	8.54%	3	1.83%	4.88%	6	3.66%	2.44%
2003	6	4.20%	4.90%	1	0.70%	5.59%	3	2.10%	4.90%
2004	7	3.93%	10.67%	7	3.93%	4.49%	NA	NA	NA
Total	31			28			19		

WIA	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	4	3.67%	3.67%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2000	1	0.55%	1.65%	0	0.00%	3.30%	0	0.00%	2.75%
2001	6	4.00%	8.00%	2	1.33%	4.00%	1	0.67%	2.67%
2002	6	3.66%	10.37%	7	4.27%	9.15%	8	4.88%	7.93%
2003	9	6.29%	18.88%	7	4.90%	8.39%	2	1.40%	6.29%
2004	16	8.99%	23.60%	16	8.99%	20.79%	16	NA	NA

Counseling	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	0.00%	1	0.92%	92.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2000	3	1.65%	1.10%	3	1.65%	3.85%	5	2.75%	1.65%
2001	0	0.00%	6.00%	6	4.00%	4.00%	2	1.33%	0.67%
2002	0	0.00%	17.07%	15	9.15%	10.37%	11	6.71%	2.44%
2003	0	0.00%	15.38%	6	4.20%	7.69%	6	4.20%	2.80%
2004	0	0.00%	18.54%	18	10.11%	9.55%	NA	NA	NA
Total	3			49			24		

Domestic Violence	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	0.92%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.92%
2000	0	0.00%	0.00%	1	0.55%	0.55%	5	2.75%	3.85%
2001	0	0.00%	0.67%	0	0.00%	2.67%	3	2.00%	1.33%
2002	0	0.00%	1.22%	1	0.61%	1.22%	1	0.61%	4.27%
2003	0	0.00%	1.40%	1	0.70%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2004	0	0.00%	1.69%	1	0.56%	1.12%	NA	NA	NA
	0			4			9		

Medicaid		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	0	0.00%	1.41%	0	0.00%	1.41%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	2000	1	0.55%	0.97%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	2001	0	0.00%	0.00%	1	0.67%	2.13%	1	0.67%	1	0.67%	0.67%	0.67%
	2002	6	3.66%	18.52%	2	1.22%	5.56%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	2003	7	4.90%	23.17%	3	2.10%	6.10%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	1.22%	1.22%
	2004	6	3.37%	18.25%	4	2.25%	5.56%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Food Stamps		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	6	5.50%	15.60%	7	6.42%	12.84%	7	6.42%	7	6.42%	15.60%	15.60%
	2000	13	7.14%	14.29%	19	10.44%	19.78%	14	7.69%	14	7.69%	13.74%	13.74%
	2001	17	11.33%	16.67%	16	10.67%	20.67%	13	8.67%	13	8.67%	16.00%	16.00%
	2002	19	11.59%	23.78%	15	9.15%	17.07%	7	4.27%	7	4.27%	8.54%	8.54%
	2003	25	17.48%	34.97%	9	6.29%	16.78%	6	4.20%	6	4.20%	6.29%	6.29%
	2004	17	9.55%	23.60%	20	11.24%	20.79%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

General Assistance		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	0	0.00%	0.92%	3	2.75%	5.50%	2	1.83%	2	1.83%	5.50%	5.50%
	2000	0	0.00%	1.10%	4	2.20%	4.40%	5	2.75%	5	2.75%	4.40%	4.40%
	2001	4	2.67%	2.67%	6	4.00%	6.00%	5	3.33%	5	3.33%	8.00%	8.00%
	2002	4	2.44%	4.88%	5	3.05%	7.32%	3	1.83%	3	1.83%	4.27%	4.27%
	2003	7	4.90%	7.69%	1	0.70%	4.90%	2	1.40%	2	1.40%	2.80%	2.80%
	2004	0	0.00%	2.25%	4	2.25%	6.18%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

TANF		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	2	1.83%	3.67%	1	0.92%	0.92%	2	1.83%	2	1.83%	2.75%	2.75%
	2000	6	3.30%	6.59%	7	3.85%	6.04%	9	4.95%	9	4.95%	9.34%	9.34%
	2001	4	2.67%	3.33%	6	4.00%	8.67%	1	0.67%	1	0.67%	2.67%	2.67%
	2002	2	1.22%	1.22%	9	5.49%	9.15%	3	1.83%	3	1.83%	4.27%	4.27%
	2003	2	1.40%	2.80%	6	4.20%	9.09%	5	3.50%	5	3.50%	5.59%	5.59%
	2004	6	3.37%	5.62%	4	2.25%	3.37%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Drivers License		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	15	13.76%	22.02%	17	15.60%	27.52%	22	20.18%	22	20.18%	33.94%	33.94%
	2000	17	9.34%	19.93%	22	12.09%	21.43%	27	14.84%	27	14.84%	29.12%	29.12%
	2001	17	11.33%	18.67%	24	16.00%	25.33%	33	22.00%	33	22.00%	36.00%	36.00%
	2002	23	14.02%	26.83%	32	19.51%	36.59%	41	25.00%	41	25.00%	47.56%	47.56%
	2003	17	11.89%	39.37%	27	18.88%	47.55%	35	24.48%	35	24.48%	63.64%	63.64%
	2004	34	19.10%	40.45%	45	25.28%	52.81%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Wages		1 year Statewide		2 year Statewide		3 year Statewide	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	1999	0	0	6,487	5,424	8,991	8,108
	2000	3,891	3,685	5,870	5,141	6,027	5,722
	2001	3,427	3,470	5,149	4,619	6,523	6,427
	2002	3,164	3,363	4,567	4,826	6,126	6,427
	2003	3,395	3,798	5,601	5,754	7,025	6,627
	2004	2,446	2,076	5,047	5,145	NA	NA

NORTHERN REGION

Births Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	2	1.83%	8.77%	1	0.92%	8.77%	4	3.67%	10.53%
2000	1	0.55%	5.83%	1	0.55%	13.59%	1	0.55%	12.62%
2001	0	0.00%	4.35%	3	2.00%	10.83%	1	0.67%	9.78%
2002	0	0.00%	2.83%	4	2.44%	15.09%	1	0.61%	13.21%
2003	0	0.00%	11.39%	2	1.40%	18.99%	2	1.40%	10.13%
2004	0	0.00%	3.77%	2	1.12%	13.21%	NA		NA
	3			13			9		

Misdemeanors Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	3	2.75%	12.84%	0	0.00%	15.60%	0	0.00%	7.34%
2000	4	2.20%	14.29%	0	0.00%	10.44%	0	0.00%	5.49%
2001	6	4.00%	16.67%	0	0.00%	8.00%	0	0.00%	6.67%
2002	4	2.44%	13.41%	0	0.00%	17.07%	0	0.00%	6.71%
2003	1	0.70%	11.89%	0	0.00%	12.59%	1	0.70%	7.69%
2004	9	5.06%	21.91%	2	1.12%	10.11%	NA		NA
	27			2			1		

Felonies Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	9.17%	2	1.83%	10.09%	2	1.83%	4.59%
2000	1	0.55%	9.34%	3	1.65%	7.69%	0	0.00%	1.65%
2001	4	2.67%	10.00%	0	0.00%	6.00%	0	0.00%	2.67%
2002	2	1.22%	8.54%	3	1.83%	4.88%	1	0.61%	2.44%
2003	0	0.00%	4.90%	1	0.70%	5.59%	1	0.70%	4.90%
2004	2	1.12%	10.67%	1	0.56%	4.49%	NA		NA
	9			10			4		

WIA	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	3.67%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2000	2	1.10%	1.65%	4	2.20%	3.30%	4	2.20%	2.75%
2001	4	2.67%	8.00%	1	0.67%	4.00%	0	0.00%	2.67%
2002	2	1.22%	10.37%	0	0.00%	9.15%	0	0.00%	7.93%
2003	3	2.10%	18.88%	0	0.00%	8.39%	0	0.00%	6.29%
2004	11	6.18%	23.60%	11	6.18%	20.79%	NA		NA

Counseling	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	92.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2000	0	0.00%	1.10%	0	0.00%	3.85%	3	1.65%	1.65%
2001	0	0.00%	6.00%	2	1.33%	4.00%	1	0.67%	0.67%
2002	0	0.00%	17.07%	6	3.66%	10.37%	2	1.22%	2.44%
2003	0	0.00%	15.38%	6	4.20%	7.69%	1	0.70%	2.80%
2004	0	0.00%	18.54%	10	5.62%	9.55%	NA		NA
	0			24			7		

Domestic Violence	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	1	0.92%	0.92%	0	0.00%	0.00%	1	0.92%	0.92%
2000	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.55%	0	0.00%	3.85%
2001	0	0.00%	0.67%	1	0.67%	2.67%	0	0.00%	1.33%
2002	0	0.00%	1.22%	1	0.61%	1.22%	1	0.61%	4.27%
2003	0	0.00%	1.40%	1	0.70%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2004	0	0.00%	1.69%	0	0.00%	1.12%	0		NA
	1			3			2		

Medicaid		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%			%	%			%	%
	1999	0	0.00%	1.41%	1.41%	1	0.92%	1.41%	1.41%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	2000	0	0.00%	0.97%	0.97%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	2001	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1	0.67%	2.13%	2.13%	0	0.00%	0.67%	0.67%
	2002	6	3.66%	18.52%	18.52%	3	1.83%	5.56%	5.56%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	2003	4	2.80%	23.17%	23.17%	1	0.70%	6.10%	6.10%	0	0.00%	1.22%	1.22%
	2004	5	2.81%	18.25%	18.25%	0	0.00%	5.56%	5.56%	NA		NA	NA

Food Stamps		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%			%	%			%	%
	1999	7	6.42%	15.60%	15.60%	3	2.75%	12.84%	12.84%	4	3.67%	15.60%	15.60%
	2000	4	2.20%	14.29%	14.29%	6	3.30%	19.78%	19.78%	5	2.75%	13.74%	13.74%
	2001	5	3.33%	16.67%	16.67%	7	4.67%	20.67%	20.67%	2	1.33%	16.00%	16.00%
	2002	11	6.71%	23.78%	23.78%	5	3.05%	17.07%	17.07%	2	1.22%	8.54%	8.54%
	2003	7	4.90%	34.97%	34.97%	4	2.80%	16.78%	16.78%	0	0.00%	6.29%	6.29%
	2004	14	7.87%	23.60%	23.60%	5	2.81%	20.79%	20.79%	NA		NA	NA

General Assistance		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%			%	%			%	%
	1999	1	0.92%	0.92%	0.92%	1	0.92%	5.50%	5.50%	2	1.83%	5.50%	5.50%
	2000	1	0.55%	1.10%	1.10%	3	1.65%	4.40%	4.40%	1	0.55%	4.40%	4.40%
	2001	0	0.00%	2.67%	2.67%	0	0.00%	6.00%	6.00%	3	2.00%	8.00%	8.00%
	2002	4	2.44%	4.88%	4.88%	4	2.44%	7.32%	7.32%	1	0.61%	4.27%	4.27%
	2003	2	1.40%	7.69%	7.69%	2	1.40%	4.90%	4.90%	0	0.00%	2.80%	2.80%
	2004	3	1.69%	2.25%	2.25%	3	1.69%	6.18%	6.18%	NA		NA	NA

TANF		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%			%	%			%	%
	1999	2	1.83%	3.67%	3.67%	0	0.00%	0.92%	0.92%	0	0.00%	2.75%	2.75%
	2000	2	1.10%	6.59%	6.59%	0	0.00%	6.04%	6.04%	3	1.65%	9.34%	9.34%
	2001	1	0.67%	3.33%	3.33%	5	3.33%	8.67%	8.67%	1	0.67%	2.67%	2.67%
	2002	0	0.00%	1.22%	1.22%	3	1.83%	9.15%	9.15%	2	1.22%	4.27%	4.27%
	2003	0	0.00%	2.80%	2.80%	2	1.40%	9.09%	9.09%	2	1.40%	5.59%	5.59%
	2004	4	2.25%	5.62%	5.62%	1	0.56%	3.37%	3.37%	NA		NA	NA

Driver's License		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%			%	%			%	%
	1999	4	3.67%	22.02%	22.02%	6	5.50%	27.52%	27.52%	7	6.42%	33.94%	33.94%
	2000	3	1.65%	19.93%	19.93%	4	2.20%	21.43%	21.43%	10	5.49%	29.12%	29.12%
	2001	3	2.00%	18.67%	18.67%	4	2.67%	25.33%	25.33%	7	4.67%	36.00%	36.00%
	2002	9	5.49%	26.83%	26.83%	13	7.93%	36.59%	36.59%	15	9.15%	47.56%	47.56%
	2003	6	4.20%	39.37%	39.37%	8	5.59%	47.55%	47.55%	14	9.79%	63.64%	63.64%
	2004	12	6.74%	40.45%	40.45%	13	7.30%	52.81%	52.81%	NA		NA	NA

Wages		1 year Statewide		2 year Statewide		3 year Statewide	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	1999	0.00	0	4,399	5,424	7,079	8,108
	2000	5,155	3,685	5,074	5,141	6,431	5,722
	2001	4,929	3,470	6,765	4,619	8,309	6,427
	2002	3,437	3,363	6,034	4,826	10,744	6,427
	2003	3,346	3,798	5,598	5,754	6,546	6,627
	2004	2,722	2,076	2,242	5,145	NA	NA

Western Region

Births Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	2	8.77%	4.59%	1	0.92%	8.77%	1	0.92%	10.53%
2000	1	5.83%	3.30%	2	1.10%	13.59%	3	1.65%	12.62%
2001	0	4.35%	2.67%	0	0.00%	10.83%	2	1.33%	9.78%
2002	1	2.83%	1.83%	1	0.61%	15.09%	3	1.83%	13.21%
2003	1	11.39%	6.29%	2	1.40%	18.99%	1	0.70%	10.13%
2004	0	3.77%	2.25%	0	0.00%	13.21%	NA	NA	NA
	5			6			10		

Misdemeanors Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	1	0.92%	12.84%	0	0.00%	15.60%	0		7.34%
2000	5	2.75%	14.29%	0	0.00%	10.44%	0		5.49%
2001	3	2.00%	16.67%	2	1.33%	8.00%	0		6.67%
2002	3	1.83%	13.41%	2	1.22%	17.07%	0		6.71%
2003	3	2.10%	11.89%	0	0.00%	12.59%	1		7.69%
2004	7	3.93%	21.91%	2	1.12%	10.11%	NA		NA
	22			6			1		

Felonies Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	9.17%	0	0.00%	10.09%	1	0.92%	4.59%
2000	1	0.55%	9.34%	2	1.10%	7.69%	2	1.10%	1.65%
2001	0	0.00%	10.00%	0	0.00%	6.00%	1	0.67%	2.67%
2002	1	0.61%	8.54%	1	0.61%	4.88%	2	1.22%	2.44%
2003	0	0.00%	4.90%	1	0.70%	5.59%	1	0.70%	4.90%
2004	1	0.56%	10.67%	1	0.56%	4.49%	NA		NA
	3			5			7		

WIA	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	3.67%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2000	0	0.00%	1.65%	1	0.55%	3.30%	1	0.55%	2.75%
2001	1	0.67%	8.00%	3	2.00%	4.00%	3	2.00%	2.67%
2002	5	3.05%	10.37%	3	1.83%	9.15%	2	1.22%	7.93%
2003	7	4.90%	18.88%	2	1.40%	8.39%	1	0.70%	6.29%
2004	6	3.37%	23.60%	7	3.93%	20.79%	NA		NA

Counseling	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.92%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2000	0	0.00%	1.10%	2	1.10%	3.85%	2	1.10%	1.65%
2001	0	0.00%	6.00%	1	0.67%	4.00%	3	2.00%	0.67%
2002		0.00%	17.07%		0.00%	10.37%		0.00%	2.44%
2003	0	0.00%	15.38%	6	4.20%	7.69%	3	2.10%	2.80%
2004	0	0.00%	18.54%	6	3.37%	9.55%	NA		NA
	0			15			8		

Domestic Violence	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	0.92%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.92%
2000	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.55%	0	0.00%	3.85%
2001	0	0.00%	0.67%	0	0.00%	2.67%	1	0.67%	1.33%
2002	0	0.00%	1.22%	0	0.00%	1.22%	0	0.00%	4.27%
2003	0	0.00%	1.40%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2004	0	0.00%	1.69%	2	1.12%	1.12%	NA		NA
	0			2			1		

Medicaid		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	0	0.00%	1.41%		0	0.00%	1.41%		0	0.00%	0.00%	
	2000	0	0.00%	0.97%		0	0.00%	0.00%		0	0.00%	0.00%	
	2001	0	0.00%	0.00%		0	0.00%	2.13%		0	0.00%	0.67%	
	2002	1	0.61%	18.52%		0	0.00%	5.56%		0	0.00%	0.00%	
	2003	3	2.10%	23.17%		1	0.70%	6.10%		0	0.00%	1.22%	
	2004	23	12.92%	18.25%		7	3.93%	5.56%		NA		NA	

Food Stamps		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	1	0.92%	15.60%		4	3.67%	12.84%		2	1.83%	15.60%	
	2000	5	2.75%	14.29%		3	1.65%	19.78%		5	2.75%	13.74%	
	2001	1	0.67%	16.67%		2	1.33%	20.67%		2	1.33%	16.00%	
	2002	2	1.22%	23.78%		5	3.05%	17.07%		3	1.83%	8.54%	
	2003	6	4.20%	34.97%		2	1.40%	16.78%		1	0.70%	6.29%	
	2004	7	3.93%	23.60%		3	1.69%	20.79%		NA		NA	

General Assistance		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	0	0.00%	0.92%		0	0.00%	5.50%		0	0.00%	5.50%	
	2000	0	0.00%	1.10%		0	0.00%	4.40%		0	0.00%	4.40%	
	2001	0	0.00%	2.67%		0	0.00%	6.00%		0	0.00%	8.00%	
	2002	0	0.00%	4.88%		0	0.00%	7.32%		2	1.22%	4.27%	
	2003	2	1.40%	7.69%		1	0.70%	4.90%		1	0.70%	2.80%	
	2004	0	0.00%	2.25%		1	0.56%	6.18%				NA	

TANF		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	0	0.00%	3.67%		0	0.00%	0.92%		1	0.92%	2.75%	
	2000	2	1.10%	6.59%		3	1.65%	6.04%		2	1.10%	9.34%	
	2001	0	0.00%	3.33%		0	0.00%	8.67%		1	0.67%	2.67%	
	2002	0	0.00%	1.22%		2	1.22%	9.15%		0	0.00%	4.27%	
	2003	2	1.40%	2.80%		2	1.40%	9.09%		0	0.00%	5.59%	
	2004	0	0.00%	5.62%		0	0.00%	3.37%		NA		NA	

Driver's License		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	2	1.83%	22.02%		3	2.75%	27.52%		3	2.75%	33.94%	
	2000	4	2.20%	19.93%		6	3.30%	21.43%		7	3.85%	29.12%	
	2001	7	4.67%	18.67%		9	6.00%	25.33%		11	7.33%	36.00%	
	2002	5	3.05%	26.83%		6	3.66%	36.59%		9	5.49%	47.56%	
	2003	6	4.20%	39.37%		9	6.29%	47.55%		13	9.09%	63.64%	
	2004	6	3.37%	40.45%		11	6.18%	52.81%		NA		NA	

Wages		1 year Statewide		2 year Statewide		3 year Statewide	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	1999	0	0	4,839	5,424	7,079	8,108
	2000	3,921	3,685	4,010	5,141	5,074	5,722
	2001	2,107	3,470	3,045	4,619	5,160	6,427
	2002	3,200	3,363	2,991	4,826	5,303	6,427
	2003	5,264	3,798	6,973	5,754	8,299	6,627
	2004	2,475	2,076	5,050	5,145	NA	NA

Eastern Region

Births Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	8.77%	4.59%	1	8.77%	4.59%	0	0.00%	10.53%
2000	0	5.83%	3.30%	1	13.59%	7.69%	2	1.10%	12.62%
2001	0	4.35%	2.67%	2	10.83%	6.67%	1	0.67%	9.78%
2002	1	2.83%	1.83%	2	15.09%	9.76%	2	1.22%	13.21%
2003	1	11.39%	6.29%	1	18.99%	10.49%	2	1.40%	10.13%
2004	0	3.77%	2.25%	3	13.21%	7.87%	NA	NA	NA
	2			10			7		

Misdemeanors Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	12.84%	1	0.92%	15.60%	0	0.00%	7.34%
2000	5	2.75%	14.29%	0	0.00%	10.44%	0	0.00%	5.49%
2001	2	1.33%	16.67%	1	0.67%	8.00%	0	0.00%	6.67%
2002	3	1.83%	13.41%	0	0.00%	17.07%	0	0.00%	6.71%
2003	3	2.10%	11.89%	0	0.00%	12.59%	0	0.00%	7.69%
2004	5	2.81%	21.91%	0	0.00%	10.11%	NA		NA
	18			2			0		

Felonies Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	9.17%	2	1.83%	10.09%	0	0.00%	4.59%
2000	3	1.65%	9.34%	0	0.00%	7.69%	1	0.55%	1.65%
2001	0	0.00%	10.00%	1	0.67%	6.00%	1	0.67%	2.67%
2002	1	0.61%	8.54%	0	0.00%	4.88%	0	0.00%	2.44%
2003	1	0.70%	4.90%	0	0.00%	5.59%	1	0.70%	4.90%
2004	2	1.12%	10.67%	0	0.00%	4.49%	NA		NA
	7			3			3		

WIA	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	3.67%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2000	0	0.00%	1.65%	1	0.55%	3.30%	0	0.00%	2.75%
2001	1	0.67%	8.00%	0	0.00%	4.00%	0	0.00%	2.67%
2002	4	2.44%	10.37%	4	2.44%	9.15%	3	1.83%	7.93%
2003	5	3.50%	18.88%	1	0.70%	8.39%	1	0.70%	6.29%
2004	2	1.12%	23.60%	4	2.25%	20.79%	NA		NA

Counseling	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.92%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2000	0	0.00%	1.10%	0	0.00%	3.85%	0	0.00%	1.65%
2001	0	0.00%	6.00%	0	0.00%	4.00%	0	0.00%	0.67%
2002	0	0.00%	17.07%	1	0.61%	10.37%	0	0.00%	2.44%
2003	0	0.00%	15.38%	1	0.70%	7.69%	1	0.70%	2.80%
2004	0	0.00%	18.54%	1	0.56%	9.55%	NA		NA
	0			3			1		

Domestic Violence	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	0.92%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.92%
2000	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.55%	0	0.00%	3.85%
2001	0	0.00%	0.67%	0	0.00%	2.67%	0	0.00%	1.33%
2002	0	0.00%	1.22%	1	0.61%	1.22%	0	0.00%	4.27%
2003	0	0.00%	1.40%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2004	0	0.00%	1.69%	1	0.56%	1.12%	NA		NA
	0			2			0		

Medicaid		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	0	0.00%	1.41%	0	0.00%	1.41%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	2000	0	0.00%	0.97%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	2001	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	2.13%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.67%	0.67%
	2002	7	4.27%	18.52%	1	0.61%	5.56%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	2003	0	0.00%	23.17%	0	0.00%	6.10%	1	0.70%	1	0.70%	1.22%	1.22%
	2004	5	2.81%	18.25%	1	0.56%	5.56%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Food Stamps		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	1	0.92%	15.60%	0	0.00%	12.84%	3	2.75%	3	2.75%	15.60%	15.60%
	2000	4	2.20%	14.29%	6	3.30%	19.78%	1	0.55%	1	0.55%	13.74%	13.74%
	2001	2	1.33%	16.67%	3	2.00%	20.67%	4	2.67%	4	2.67%	16.00%	16.00%
	2002	5	3.05%	23.78%	3	1.83%	17.07%	2	1.22%	2	1.22%	8.54%	8.54%
	2003	7	4.90%	34.97%	4	2.80%	16.78%	1	0.70%	1	0.70%	6.29%	6.29%
	2004	9	5.06%	23.60%	6	3.37%	20.79%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

General Assistance		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	0	0.00%	0.92%	1	0.92%	5.50%	2	1.83%	2	1.83%	5.50%	5.50%
	2000	1	0.55%	1.10%	1	0.55%	4.40%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	4.40%	4.40%
	2001	0	0.00%	2.67%	2	1.33%	6.00%	1	0.67%	1	0.67%	8.00%	8.00%
	2002	0	0.00%	4.88%	2	1.22%	7.32%	1	0.61%	1	0.61%	4.27%	4.27%
	2003	0	0.00%	7.69%	1	0.70%	4.90%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	2.80%	2.80%
	2004	0	0.00%	2.25%	2	1.12%	6.18%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

TANF		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	0	0.00%	3.67%	0	0.00%	0.92%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	2.75%	2.75%
	2000	1	0.55%	6.59%	1	0.55%	6.04%	3	1.65%	3	1.65%	9.34%	9.34%
	2001	0	0.00%	3.33%	2	1.33%	8.67%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	2.67%	2.67%
	2002	0	0.00%	1.22%	1	0.61%	9.15%	2	1.22%	2	1.22%	4.27%	4.27%
	2003	0	0.00%	2.80%	0	0.00%	9.09%	1	0.70%	1	0.70%	5.59%	5.59%
	2004	0	0.00%	5.62%	0	0.00%	3.37%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Driver's License		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	1	0.92%	22.02%	2	1.83%	27.52%	2	1.83%	2	1.83%	33.94%	33.94%
	2000	5	2.75%	19.93%	6	3.30%	21.43%	7	3.85%	7	3.85%	29.12%	29.12%
	2001	1	0.67%	18.67%	1	0.67%	25.33%	1	0.67%	1	0.67%	36.00%	36.00%
	2002	4	2.44%	26.83%	5	3.05%	36.59%	8	4.88%	8	4.88%	47.56%	47.56%
	2003	6	4.20%	39.37%	11	7.69%	47.55%	15	10.49%	15	10.49%	63.64%	63.64%
	2004	14	7.87%	40.45%	17	9.55%	52.81%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Wages		1 year Statewide		2 year Statewide		3 year Statewide	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	1999	0	0	5,242	5,424	7,244	8,108
	2000	2,784	3,685	3,440	5,141	4,857	5,722
	2001	3,952	3,470	2,859	4,619	4,656	6,427
	2002	2,934	3,363	6,434	4,826	4,688	6,427
	2003	3,836	3,798	6,263	5,754	7,367	6,627
	2004	4,845	2,076	10,222	5,145	NA	NA

Southwest Region

Births Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	8.77%	4.59%	0	8.77%	4.59%	0	0.00%	10.53%
2000	0	5.83%	3.30%	1	13.59%	7.69%	0	0.00%	12.62%
2001	1	4.35%	2.67%	0	10.83%	6.67%	1	0.67%	9.78%
2002	0	2.83%	1.83%	0	15.09%	9.76%	0	0.00%	13.21%
2003	1	11.39%	6.29%	3	18.99%	10.49%	0	0.00%	10.13%
2004	0	3.77%	2.25%	3	13.21%	7.87%	NA	NA	NA
	2			7			1		

Misdemeanors Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	1	0.92%	12.84%	0	0.00%	15.60%	0	0.00%	7.34%
2000	0	0.00%	14.29%	0	0.00%	10.44%	0	0.00%	5.49%
2001	2	1.33%	16.67%	0	0.00%	8.00%	0	0.00%	6.67%
2002	1	0.61%	13.41%	0	0.00%	17.07%	0	0.00%	6.71%
2003	1	0.70%	11.89%	0	0.00%	12.59%	0	0.00%	7.69%
2004	1	0.56%	21.91%	0	0.00%	10.11%	NA	NA	NA
	6			0			0		

Felonies Year Left Care	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	9.17%	0	0.00%	10.09%	1	0.92%	4.59%
2000	0	0.00%	9.34%	0	0.00%	7.69%	0	0.00%	1.65%
2001	1	0.67%	10.00%	1	0.67%	6.00%	1	0.67%	2.67%
2002	3	1.83%	8.54%	0	0.00%	4.88%	0	0.00%	2.44%
2003	1	0.70%	4.90%	2	1.40%	5.59%	1	0.70%	4.90%
2004	1	0.56%	10.67%	0	0.00%	4.49%	NA		NA
	6			3			3		

WIA	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	3.67%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2000	0	0.00%	1.65%	0	0.00%	3.30%	0	0.00%	2.75%
2001	0	0.00%	8.00%	0	0.00%	4.00%	0	0.00%	2.67%
2002	0	0.00%	10.37%	0	0.00%	9.15%	2	1.22%	7.93%
2003	3	2.10%	18.88%	2	1.40%	8.39%	2	1.40%	6.29%
2004	6	3.37%	23.60%	7	3.93%	20.79%	NA	NA	NA

Counseling	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.92%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2000	0	0.00%	1.10%	0	0.00%	3.85%	0	0.00%	1.65%
2001	0	0.00%	6.00%	0	0.00%	4.00%	0	0.00%	0.67%
2002	0	0.00%	17.07%	1	0.61%	10.37%	2	1.22%	2.44%
2003	0	0.00%	15.38%	6	4.20%	7.69%	1	0.70%	2.80%
2004	0	0.00%	18.54%	2	1.12%	9.55%	NA	NA	NA
	0			9			3		

Domestic Violence	1 year			2 year			3 year		
	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %	#	%	Statewide %
1999	0	0.00%	0.92%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.92%
2000	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.55%	0	0.00%	3.85%
2001	0	0.00%	0.67%	0	0.00%	2.67%	0	0.00%	1.33%
2002	0	0.00%	1.22%	0	0.00%	1.22%	0	0.00%	4.27%
2003	0	0.00%	1.40%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
2004	0	0.00%	1.69%	0	0.00%	1.12%	NA	NA	NA
	0			0			0		

Medicaid		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	0	0.00%	1.41%	0	0.00%	1.41%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	2000	0	0.00%	0.97%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	2001	0	0.00%	0.00%	0	0.00%	2.13%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.67%	0.67%
	2002	0	0.00%	18.52%	0	0.00%	5.56%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	2003	5	3.50%	23.17%	0	0.00%	6.10%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	1.22%	1.22%
	2004	4	2.25%	18.25%	1	0.56%	5.56%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Food Stamps		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	2	1.83%	15.60%	0	0.00%	12.84%	1	0.92%	15.60%	0.92%	15.60%	15.60%
	2000	0	0.00%	14.29%	2	1.10%	19.78%	0	0.00%	13.74%	0.00%	13.74%	13.74%
	2001	0	0.00%	16.67%	3	2.00%	20.67%	3	2.00%	16.00%	2.00%	16.00%	16.00%
	2002	2	1.22%	23.78%	0	0.00%	17.07%	0	0.00%	8.54%	0.00%	8.54%	8.54%
	2003	5	3.50%	34.97%	5	3.50%	16.78%	1	0.70%	6.29%	0.70%	6.29%	6.29%
	2004	4	2.25%	23.60%	1	0.56%	20.79%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

General Assistance		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	0	0.00%	0.92%	1	0.92%	5.50%	0	0.00%	5.50%	0.00%	5.50%	5.50%
	2000	0	0.00%	1.10%	0	0.00%	4.40%	0	0.00%	4.40%	0.00%	4.40%	4.40%
	2001	0	0.00%	2.67%	1	0.67%	6.00%	3	2.00%	8.00%	2.00%	8.00%	8.00%
	2002	0	0.00%	4.88%	1	0.61%	7.32%	0	0.00%	4.27%	0.00%	4.27%	4.27%
	2003	0	0.00%	7.69%	2	1.40%	4.90%	1	0.70%	2.80%	0.70%	2.80%	2.80%
	2004	1	0.56%	2.25%	1	0.56%	6.18%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

TANF		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	0	0.00%	3.67%	0	0.00%	0.92%	0	0.00%	2.75%	0.00%	2.75%	2.75%
	2000	1	0.55%	6.59%	0	0.00%	6.04%	0	0.00%	9.34%	0.00%	9.34%	9.34%
	2001	0	0.00%	3.33%	0	0.00%	8.67%	1	0.67%	2.67%	0.67%	2.67%	2.67%
	2002	0	0.00%	1.22%	0	0.00%	9.15%	0	0.00%	4.27%	0.00%	4.27%	4.27%
	2003	0	0.00%	2.80%	3	2.10%	9.09%	0	0.00%	5.59%	0.00%	5.59%	5.59%
	2004	0	0.00%	5.62%	1	0.56%	3.37%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Driver's License		1 year		Statewide		2 year		Statewide		3 year		Statewide	
		#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%	#	%	%	%
	1999	2	1.83%	22.02%	2	1.83%	27.52%	3	2.75%	33.94%	2.75%	33.94%	33.94%
	2000	0	0.00%	19.93%	1	0.55%	21.43%	2	1.10%	29.12%	1.10%	29.12%	29.12%
	2001	0	0.00%	18.67%	0	0.00%	25.33%	2	1.33%	36.00%	1.33%	36.00%	36.00%
	2002	3	1.83%	26.83%	4	2.44%	36.59%	5	3.05%	47.56%	3.05%	47.56%	47.56%
	2003	7	4.90%	39.37%	13	9.09%	47.55%	14	9.79%	63.64%	9.79%	63.64%	63.64%
	2004	6	3.37%	40.45%	11	6.18%	52.81%	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

Wages		1 year Statewide		2 year Statewide		3 year Statewide	
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	1999	0	0	3,291	5,424	5,693	8,108
	2000	5,192	3,685	6,041	5,141	12,266	5,722
	2001	1,548	3,470	1,230	4,619	3,435	6,427
	2002	6,059	3,363	5,065	4,826	4,653	6,427
	2003	4,207	3,798	4,799	5,754	3,945	6,627
	2004	2,475	2,076	2,960	5,145	NA	NA